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1. BASIL PATTERSON MAY BE AVAILABLE FOR PROGRAMMING TWO-THREE WEEKS. WILL ADVISE WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

2. ROSCOE LEE BROWN TENTATIVELY AVAILABLE FULL WEEK JULY 26, HOWEVER THIS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. HE REQUIRES FIRST CLASS AIR FARE, ALL EXPENSES AND \$3,000 FEE. REFTEL STATED BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE PREPARED TO FUND FEE. COULD LOCAL FUNDING BE FOUND FOR AIR FARE ALSO, AS WE CANNOT GIVE FIRST CLASS TRAVEL ON AMERICAN SPECIALIST GRANTS. ALSO, GRANTEEES LIMITED TO OFFICIAL USG PER DIEM (\$30 PER DAY IN PORT OF SPAIN) - IS THIS ENOUGH TO GET SUITABLE HOTEL? IF UNCLASSIFIED

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NOT, PERHAPS WOULD BE BEST TO FIND LOCAL SUPPORT TO PAY

FOR BROWN'S ENTIRE VISIT. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST, PREFERABLY BY END OF WEEK, AS HE HAS OTHER COMMITMENTS AND WE WOULD LIKE TO FIRM UP PLANS IF HE WILL BE GOING.

3. CU/ARTS HAS NO FUNDS LEFT FOR PROGRAMMING IN LATIN AMERICA. IS LOOKING AROUND TO SEE IF ANYONE TRAVELLING IN AREA THAT POST COULD PICK UP. OTHERWISE, WOULD POST BE

ABLE TO FIND LOCAL SPONSORS TO FUND TRAVEL AND HONORARIUM FOR GROUP MENTIONED REFTTEL? IF SO, THEY WILL PURSUE FURTHER.

4. ATTEMPTING TO CONTACT HISTORIAN. WILL ADVISE. KISSINGER

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